been making efforts to improve productivity. As a result of the measures taken during the last three years, the public sector units utilising 75 per cent or more of the installed targetted capacity has gone up from 53 per cent in 1989-90 to 54 per cent in 1990-91 and further to 56 in 1991-92.

Financial Management of PSUs

2046. SHRI ASHIS SEN:
SHRI MOHAMMED AMIN:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is fact that Government are not allowing adequate facilities to most of the PSUs to man their financial management; and

(b) if so, the reasons for denying PSUs of adequate facilities to organise their financial management properly?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT) WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF HEAVY INDUSTRY) (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Impact of Communal violence on industry

2047. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have assessed the devastating impact of communal violence on industry and business that raped the country in December and January, 1993;

(b) what is the managing of short term and long term impact on industry;

(c) whether any adverse and reverse impact on the likely foreign private investment in India has been perceived; and

(d) whether Government propose to take any effective measures to stop retrograding tendency?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT) WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF HEAVY INDUSTRY) (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) to (d) The communal violence in some parts of the country had caused some temporary disruption in industrial production and dislocation of trade, transport, banking and other services affecting the normal business activities. It is not possible for the Government to make any precise assessment of the magitude of impact of the communal violence on industry. There is no visible impact on foreign private investment. Government have taken all possible measures to maintain law and order so that the normal economic activities are not disrupted.

2048. [*Transferred to 23rd March, 1993*].

Production of Cigarettes etc. in the country

2049. SHRIMATI CHANDRIKA ABHINANDAN JAIN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the approved capacity vis-a-vis actual production of cigarettes by multinational companies in the country; the details of two years yearwise and company-wise;

(b) whether any of these companies have violated any law, if so, the details thereof;

(c) the action taken against these companies; and

(d) the details of the measures taken or proposed to be taken for discouraging smoking which is injurious to health?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT) WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF

HEAVY INDUSTRY) (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) Three companies manufacturing cigarettes viz. M|s. ITC Limited, M|s. Godfrey Phillips India Limited and M|s. VST Industries Limited have foreign shareholdings. Their approved capacity and actual production during the last two years as reported to DGTD are as under:-

	Approved Capacity	Production	
		1991	1992 (upto Nov.)
	(Lakh Nos)	(Lakh Nos.)	
1. M/s. ITC Limited			
Saharanpur Unit	137000	86813	90088
Bombay Unit	77000	Nil	Nil
Mungar Unit	83970	89346	77440
Bangalore Unit	190000	112160	104665
Calcutta Unit	48000	38135	33104
2. M/s. Godfrey Phillips India Limited, Bombay	80000	54196	47226
3. M/s. VST Industires Ltd.	256000	114035	105831

(b) No, Sir. They have not violated any law in this regard.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) For quite sometime the Govment have been trying to educate the people about harmful effects of tobacco. Govt. of India have also issued. administrative instructions prohibiting smoking in certain public places like hospitals, educational institutions, conference rooms, domestic air flights, A|C Chair cars|sleeper coaches, suburban trains, public transport etc.

Under the Cigarettes (Regulation of Production, Supply and Distribution) Act, 1957 it has been made mandatory to print statutory warning on every cigarette pack or in its advertisement that "Smoking is injurious to Health".

The Miinstry of Health and Family Welfare also proposes to enact a comprehensive anti-tobacco legislation. In the proposed legislation, it is intended inter-alia to :-

(i) impose a ban on the sale of tobacco or tobacco products within a distance of 100 meters from schools, educational institutions, hospitals and medical institutions.

(ii) prohibit smoking in certain selected public places like hospitals, educational institutions, conference roms, domestic air flights, A|C chair cars|Sleeper Coaches, Suburban Trains, Public Transport etc.

(iii) impose a complete ban on all forms of advertisements in respect of tobacco related products after studying the implications vis-a-vis the experience of other countries of the world in this regard.

(iv) prescribe statutory warning on all packages of tobacco and tobacco products in appropriate forms, size and language to make them prominent and effective.